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MEETING, 7-9 MAY 1974, PARIS

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GEBIN SUMMARY. REF MSG STATES HAWK EUROPEAN LIMITED IMPROVEMENT
PROGRAM (HELIP) TECHNICAL COMMITTEE WILL RECOMMEND TO BOD THAT THE
HATO-HAWK PRODUCTION & LOGISTICS ORGANIZATION (NHPLO) NOT PARTICI-
PATE IN THE US PRODUCT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (PIP) FOR THE IMPROVED
HAWK. THIS RECOMMENDATION IS BASED UPON A US GOVERNMENT REFUSAL
TO PROVIDE AN ACCEPTABLE PROGRAM GUARANTEE TO NJPLO. US BOD
MEMBER PROPOSES TO ENCOURAGE NHPLO PARTICIPATION IN THE 4.5 MILLION
DOLLAR EFFORT. BOD WILL VOTE ON THIS ISSUE DURING ITS MAY 7-8
MEETING. ACTION REQUEST: CONCURRENCE WITH THE PROPOSED STATE-
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74. END SUMMARY.

1. THE US IMPROVED HAWK (HIP) PRODUCT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (PIP)
INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING ITEMS IN WHICH NHPLO WOULD LIKE TO PAR-

TICIPATE:

A. MODULATOR OSCILLATOR - ICWAR (IMPROVED CONTINUOUS WAVE ACQUISITION RADAR) TRANSMITTER.

B. ADP - DMTI (DIGITAL MOVING TARGET INDICATOR).

C. ADP - INCREASED MEMORY/ARMY/TACTICAL DATA LINK (ATDL).

2. AT THE BOD MEETING OF 7-8 MAY THE ISSUE OF NHPLO PARTICIPATION IN HIP PIP WILL BE DISCUSSED. IT IS THE ONLY ITEM ON THE AGENDA FOR THAT MEETING WHICH REQUIRES A US POSITION. THE NATO-HAWK TECHNICAL COMMITTEE WILL RECOMMEND AGAINST NHPLO PARTICIPATION BECAUSE OF PROGRAM RISKS AND LACK OF US GUARANTEE ON PROGRAM COMPLETION AND ACCELERATED SCHEDULE (WHICH IS CRITICAL TO INCORPORATION IN HELIP PRODUCTION). THE BOD IS EXPECTED TO DISCUSS AND VOTE ON NHPLO PARTICIPATION. TO COUNTER THE TECHNICAL COMMITTEE'S NEGATIVE RECOMMENDATION, THE US BOD MEMBER (COL LYNCH) PROPOSES TO ENCOURAGE NHPLO PARTICIPATION IN HIP PIP TO THE AGREED AMOUNT OF 4.5 MILLION DOLLARS. PROPOSED STATEMENT FOLLOWS. BEGIN QUOTE.

US GOVERNMENT EARNESTLY ENCOURAGES NHPLO TO JOIN IN A CO-DEVELOPMENT EFFORT FOR US HIP PIP. US ARMY SINCERELY REGRETS THAT NO IRON-CLAD PROGRAM GUARANTEE CAN BE GIVEN TO NHPLO, BUT ASSURES THAT IT WILL DO EVERYTHING IN ITS POWER TO SEE THAT CURRENT PIP IS PARRIED THROUGH TO SUCCESSFUL AND TIMELY COMPLETION. AS YOU KNOW, THE US ARMY IS SUBJECT TO ANNUAL US CONGRESSIONAL FUNDING AUTHORIZATIONS AND PROGRAM APPROVALS, AND IT IS POSSIBLE, ALTHOUGH MOST UNLIKELY, THAT SOME OR ALL OF THE PIP EFFORTS WOULD BE TERMINATED SHORT OF COMPLETION. HOWEVER, THE THREE PIP'S ARE CURRENTLY FULLY VALIDATED, AND APPROVED PROGRAM LINE ITEM EFFORTS ARE UNDERWAY TO OBTAIN RELEASE OF FY 75 FUNDING. NHPLO PARTICIPATION WILL GREATLY INCREASE THE PROBABILITY OF ACHIEVING THE PIP. CONSEQUENTLY BOTH NATO-HAWK AND THE US COULD BENEFIT FROM INCREASED OPERATIONAL CAPABILITIES AND COST SAVINGS. FURTHER, NHPLO WOULD MOST ASSUREDLY, BE KEPT INFORMED OF PRO-CONFIDENTIAL

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GRAM PROGRESS THROUGH PROGRESS REPORTS AND NHPLO WILL BE WELCOME TO ATTEND PIP-RELATED MEETINGS AND OBSERVE TEST AND EVALUATION DEMONSTRATIONS. END QUOTE.

3. IF ANY STRONGER ENCOURAGEMENT THAN THAT OUTLINED CAN BE AUTHORIZED, IT WOULD BE HELPFUL. CONCURRENCE OR GUIDANCE REQUIRED BY COB 6 MAY 74. REQUEST INFO COPY OF REPLY TO USNJO, PARIS. RUMSFELD.

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